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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: PATTERN BLOCKS IN THE TREAD OF A TYRE

Enclosed are:

14 pages of specification, 7 pages of claims, an abstract and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

3sheet(s) of formal drawings.

Request for Non-publication and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).

CLAIMS AS FILED					
For	Claims	Number	Number	Basic Fee	
	Filed	Free	Extra	Rate	\$710.00
Total Claims	31	20	= 11	\$18.00	\$ 198.00
Independent Claims	2	3	= 0	\$80.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee				\$270.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$908.00

Assignee for this application is or will be Nokian Tyres PLC, and applicant requests that this information be listed on the published application.

Preliminary Amendment

Certified copies of priority documents: Finland, 20001234, 23 May 2000.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with the filing of this application and recording any assignment filed herewith, or credit over-payment, to Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Applicant claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the earlier filing date of foreign application number Finland, 20001234, filed May 23, 2000.

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